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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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Toshiyuki BABA et al.

Examiner: Meller, M.

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Title: METHOD OF STABILIZING ENZYME AND ENZYME COMPOSITION

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated November 30, 2001,
please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please delete claims 10-14 and 20:

Please replace claims 18, 22 and 25 with the following
claims 18, 22 and 25:

81 18. (Amended) The method of stabilizing the enzyme according
to claim 17, wherein the concentration of said albumin is
within a range of from 0.5 to 15 w/v%.